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For: FUEL CELL

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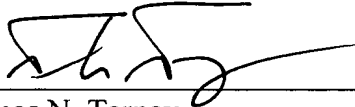
1) J. Soler et al, "Electrode permeability and flow-field configuration: influence on the performance of a PEMFC", *Journal of Power Sources* 118 (May 25, 2003) pgs. 172-178; and

2) M. S. Wilson et al, "Alternative Flow-Field and Backing Concept for Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells", *Electrochemical Society Proceedings Volume 95-23*, pgs. 115-126, in PROTON CONDUCTING MEMBRANE FUEL CELLS I (S. Gottesfeld, G. Halpert and A. Landgrebe ed., December 1995).

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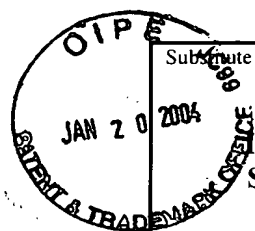
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